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**PATENT APPLICATION**

Attorney Docket No.: 110024

**AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL**

In re the Application of

Eric DEFRANCQ et al.

Application No.: 09/869,796

Filed: September 19, 2001

Group Art Unit: 1623

Examiner: P. Lewis

For: FUNCTIONALIZED POLYNUCLEOTIDE COMPOUND, OPTIONALLY MARKED AND METHOD  
FOR DETECTING A TARGET NUCLEIC ACID

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☐ Entitlement to small entity status is hereby asserted.  
☐ Small entity status of this application has been established.

The filing fee has been calculated as shown below:

	(Column 1)	(Column 2)	(Column 3)	SMALL ENTITY		OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY	
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA	RATE	ADD'L FEE	RATE	ADD'L FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	*28 MINUS	**27	= 1	x 9	\$	x 18	\$ 18.00
INDEP CLAIMS	*2 MINUS	***3	= 0	x 43	\$	x 86	\$
<input type="checkbox"/> FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				+ 145	\$	+ 290	\$
				\$		\$	

OR

\* If the entry in Column 1 is less than the entry in Column 2, write "0" in Column 3.

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- ☒ Check No. 147361 in the amount of \$18.00 is attached. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any other fees that may be required to complete this filing, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 15-0461. Two duplicate copies of this sheet are attached.

Respectfully submitted,

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